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## HANDICAP FOR DAN CUPID IS NOW PLANNED

Marriage License Commissioners to Number of 350 Will Have Permits Revoked

BUT ONE OFFICE WILL BE OPEN AFTER NOV. 1

New Order of Things Expected to Result in Loud and Long Protests

Cupid's easy course in the territory in directing his protégés to his agents, who are known by their signs as commissioners to grant marriage licenses is to be made much more difficult in other words, about 350 commissioners to issue marriage licenses are to be cancelled the first of the month.

Territorial Treasurer Conkling made this announcement today, having sent notices to the commissioners that their licenses are to be revoked. Acting on the advice of Attorney General Thayer, beginning with the first of November there will be only one commissioner in each judicial district.

Thomas Treadway will be the only man authorized to issue marriage licenses in Honolulu after the first of the month. In place of there being 52 agents on Oahu, there will be but six—one in Honolulu, one in Ewa, one in Waianae, one in Koolauloa, one in Koolahou, and one in Koolanokai.

With the exception of Treadway, all the commissioners on the island are deputy tax assessors. The same is true on the other islands, with the exception of Molokai, where H. B. Hitchcock and J. D. McVeigh are the commissioners.

Protests are expected to be heard when the news of the revocations is heard. Many of the commissions were issued in the early days of the territory, and small fortunes have been made out of a few, while in other cases they have been disused or the holders have died.

Conkling's action was first considered when cases of grave misuse of the commissions reached him. At different times he has found where the commissions have been used as a means of graft in forcing persons to marry in fear of prosecution on a criminal charge.

On Oct. 13, Conkling sent notices to all the persons holding commissions that after the first of the month their right to grant marriage licenses would be cancelled, and a few days later he made the new appointments, which are given below.

During the last session of the legislature, section 2707 of the Revised Laws was amended so that it now reads that persons wishing to marry must obtain a license from the commissioner in the district in which the marriage is to be celebrated. Formerly, the statute read that it should be obtained from a commissioner in the district.

It was upon the meaning of the amendment that Thayer was asked to give an opinion. He advised that as the word "had" been substituted for "is," it plainly meant that there was to be but one commissioner to a district.

Improvement of System. While there may be loud protests heard against the change, at the same time it is already being recognized that the change will be an improvement over the present system as a better and closer check can be kept on the acts of the commissioners.

"I have received many complaints of the present system," stated Conkling. "In many cases a commissioner has granted license to persons not of legal age; and I have heard of instances where graft was practised through the medium of the commissioner."

The following are the new commissioners, whose appointments have been made by Conkling under date of October 13:

City and County of Honolulu—Thos. Treadway, Honolulu; S. L. Kekumano, Ewa; W. D. Holt, Waianae; Edward Hore, Waialua; Joseph Kekuku, Koolauloa; Henry Cobb Adams, Koolanokai.

## FRANCHISE BILL JOKER IS DENIED BY THE DELEGATE

Kuhio Says Added Section Is Probably Tacked on as a Matter of Form

HE WAS WORKING WITH RAPID TRANSIT ATTORNEY

A. B. Browne, Washington Representative, Declared to Have Seen Draft of Measure

Delegate Kuhio had nothing to do with the tacking of an added section to the Rapid Transit franchise bill before it was introduced in his name in the house of representatives, according to an emphatic statement made by the delegate this morning.

Kuhio gave a new and unexpected turn to the story this morning by declaring that he believes the bill was introduced only after it had been scrutinized by Attorney A. B. Browne, a well known Washington lawyer and the representative there of the Rapid Transit company itself. The delegate says that so far as he knows, the bill as it went into the house was given to his secretary, Jack Desha, to introduce by Attorney Browne. He thinks that a mistake, at the most, in the name of the addition of the section now strongly objected to by the street railway company.

Moreover, the delegate does not believe that there has been any intention whatever to slip a "joker" into the bill, and from Rapid Transit sources comes the statement that Kuhio is not blamed in any manner for the addition of the section.

While the traction company states that it cannot accept the franchise bill with the added section remaining, the situation is not held to be really serious. It is believed that Congress, after explanations have been made, will readily assent to the striking out of the section.

Meanwhile, the Merchants' Association directors are to hold a meeting tomorrow afternoon, and a report from the special committee in charge of the matter, Tom Church, Ed Towse and Fred Macfarlane, is expected to be prepared.

The situation, together with the attitude of the Rapid Transit company, is set forth briefly and fully in the following letter from the attorneys for the company to the Merchants' Association:

Oct. 7, 1913.  
To the Honolulu Merchants' Association:  
Gentlemen:

Knowing that you have interested yourselves in the matter of the Honolulu Rapid Transit & Land Company and had a material influence on the terms of the bill which passed the legislature April 29 last, and that you are seeking to urge the passage of the act through Congress at the present time in order to settle things here, we hasten to give you some information about that bill.

The bill introduced by Delegate Kuhio Sept. 24, 1913, provides, in Section 1, that the act passed by the legislature of the Territory of Hawaii.

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## COURT SUSTAINS EVIDENCE AGAINST GOVERNOR SULZER

William Sulzer, governor of New York, who loses a decision before the court of impeachment.

[Associated Press Cable]  
ALBANY, N. Y., Oct. 15.—The high court of impeachment today decided that the articles of impeachment against Governor William Sulzer of this state are sufficiently broad to cover the testimony presented by the son of Thomas F. Ryan, and Henry Morgenthau, ambassador to Turkey. This decision was reached following objections raised by Sulzer's attorneys.

## ARMIES CLASH; RESULTS INDECISIVE REDS AND BLUES IN BATTLE NEAR CASTNER



Officers of the 1st Battalion Infantry, in Camp.

## Fine Points of Game Could Here be Decided Were Ball Cartridges Used in a Place of Blanks

BY LAURENCE REDINGTON.  
(By Telephone From the Field.)  
IN CAMP NEAR CASTNER, Oct. 15, 12 m.—The Reds and the Blues clashed this morning in one of those indecisive engagements which seemed fated to follow maneuver exercises. Had ball cartridges been used, it would have been considerably easier to decide the fine points of attack and defense.

Today the Red forces, consisting of the Second Infantry, took up a very strong defensive position on the first crest south of Waialua mill, and occupied it behind trenches. It was a veritable stronghold. The Second Battalion was on the right, at the right-hand side of the main road, with a machine gun platoon and the First Battalion on the left, and the Third Battalion in reserve.

The Blue forces, consisting of the 25th and the First Infantry, reached the water tower at Castner and was given the day's problem at 9 o'clock this morning.

The feature of the problem was that

the Blues were to occupy the high ground north of Kaukonahua, and it was only supposed that the enemy was the north ridge when as a matter of fact the enemy was two miles away.

The 25th was sent to Waialua on a flanking move. Incidentally, this was the second hike for the 25th, as that regiment a long hike yesterday. On this occasion it acquitted itself well.

The 1st Infantry proceeded along both sides of the road and from the time that it had the quick deployed with rifles, expecting every moment to be in contact with the enemy.

At 11:15 o'clock a shot was fired. At noon it became so that which side has won the employes will get together their ropes and data until this afternoon. But it now looks as if the 25th, in view of its strong defensive position and entrenchments, has been able to hold its place.

The 25th was so far to the right that it came into contact with the enemy after the main body had been engaged.

A published story this morning that a report of real bullets being used stopped the maneuvers yesterday is denied today by the military authorities, and those who were on the ground. There was a report made that bullets were being used, but Maj. C. E. Taysman, who is investigating today, is of the opinion that what was heard when the whistle of the missiles sounded was due to the paraffin paper cap which holds the charge in the blank cartridges. The cessation of hostilities yesterday was not due in any manner to this report, it is declared today.

[Staff Correspondence]  
IN CAMP WITH THE 2ND INFANTRY NEAR CASTNER, Oct. 15.—It was the calculation of

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## WILSON REFUSES TO TAKE WARSHIPS FROM MEXICAN WATERS WITH CRISIS ON

Huerta's Notification That Permits Expire Will Not Change President's Course — Germany Orders Two Cruisers to Same Waters — Diplomats in Conference

[Associated Press Cable]  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 15.—The administration today is standing pat on its virtual order to Mexico that there must be no injury to the arrested senators and deputies and that the United States does not countenance Huerta's latest and dictatorial moves.

The administration admittedly awaits an expected crisis in the affairs of the troubled republic to the south, and is determined to keep a naval force in Mexican waters, at the principal ports, despite Huerta's notification that permission for the warships to remain expires this month.

BERLIN, Germany, Oct. 15.—The German government, impelled by the seriousness of affairs in Mexico, today ordered the cruisers *Vinda* and *Herta* to Mexico.

MEXICO CITY, Mex., Oct. 15.—The Spanish minister to Mexico, who is the dean of the diplomatic corps here, has called a conference of foreign diplomats stationed here to discuss the present situation.

## American Balloon Is Winner Of Big International Race

[Associated Press Cable]  
PARIS, France, Oct. 15.—A notable victory for American aviation was won today when the American balloon *Goodyear* took first place in the international race.

## Mrs. Mackay Denies She Stole Blake's Affections

[Associated Press Cable]  
NEW YORK, N. Y., Oct. 15.—Mrs. Clarence Mackay, wife of the multimillionaire capitalist and sportsman, today filed her answer in the suit for a million dollars damages brought by Mrs. Catherine Blake, who charges that Mrs. Mackay has alienated the affections of her husband, Dr. Joseph Blake, the famous surgeon. A general denial is entered.

## Julian Hawthorne Is Freed

[Associated Press Cable]  
ATLANTA, Ga., Oct. 15.—Julian Hawthorne, son of Nathaniel Hawthorne and himself a noted author, was released from the federal penitentiary here today. He has been serving a term on conviction of fraud in connection with mining ventures in which his name was used. He plans to resume his literary work, and will leave at once for New York.

## Prince of Connaught Weds

[Associated Press Cable]  
LONDON, Eng., Oct. 14.—Prince Arthur of Connaught, son of the duke, today wedded Princess Alexandra Victoria. The wedding was a beautiful and notable one.

## CAPTAIN'S WIFE SAYS CLAUDINE DENIED HER AID

Explanation Is That New Captain Was Obeying Orders to Get Line to Vessel

Sitting in the parlor of his friend's residence at 321 Peck avenue, and appearing cheerful even in the face of the disaster which has piled her husband's vessel on the reef off Castle Point, Mrs. R. Mather, formerly of Honolulu and now wife of the skipper of the bark *S. C. Allen*, denounced in scathing terms this morning the action of the captain of the *Claudine* in refusing to take her on board his ship after she had been taken off the *Allen* in one of the small launches.

On the other hand, steamship company representatives say that the *Claudine's* captain, Melvin, was obeying orders in using every resource to get aid to the vessel, and that other steamers were nearby, not engaged in this work and available for the refuge of Mrs. Mather without delay.

"The vessel struck the reef with a great crash," said Mrs. Mather in telling her story, "and her head swung around towards the shore. Captain J. R. Macaulay, the local pilot, was the first man aboard the vessel, and after a consultation with Captain Mather, they decided that I had best leave the ship at once. One of the Young Brothers' launches was signalled to come alongside, and the breakers were rolling in at a rate that threatened for a time to dash the launch to pieces against the larger craft. Captain Macaulay got into the launch, which was bobbing up and down at a rapid pace. I sat down on the deck of the vessel and pilot I climbed aboard and sat down in the bottom of the launch. Captain Macaulay gave orders to go to the charge of the launch to go to the *Claudine*, that I might be put aboard her, leaving the launch free to assist in getting lines aboard the vessel.

Men all busy, is answer. "We came up alongside the *Claudine* and Captain Macaulay hailed the captain of the *Claudine* answered, 'I can't do it as my men are all busy.' Neither Captain Macaulay nor I could believe our ears when we heard him say that: it seemed impossible."

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## NEW YORK MAN HERE TO ERECT BOILER AT WIRELESS STATION

Sent here from New York to erect the gigantic boiler to be installed in the Kahuku generating station of the Marconi Wireless, George Fair has begun work at the plant. It is estimated that it will require two months for the boiler to be put in place. Fair will remain here until the boiler is ready for use. He is a specialist in his line and is regarded as one of the most capable men for that work in the country. He arrived in Honolulu the first of the week.

## UNCLE SAM IS DICKERING FOR LOCAL THEATER

Ye Liberty Sought by War Department for Warehouse for Hawaii Department

Ye Liberty theater is liable to have its existence suspended, at least for a term of years, with its purposes of laughing peace superseded by those of preparedness for grim war.

Overtures have been made to the management of the Consolidated Amusement Company for a lease of Ye Liberty building, to the quarter-master's office, Department of Hawaii, U. S. A., as a storage house for supplies, and the company is not disposed to negotiate for such disposition of the property. It is a substantial brick structure of large dimensions.

"Nothing definite has yet taken place toward leasing the Liberty to the war department," said J. H. Magoon, treasurer and general manager of the Consolidated Amusement Company, when asked this morning if the rumored deal was on foot. "Major Cheatham, the quartermaster, has not spoken to me about it, but other officers have suggested that I should see him on the subject. They mentioned that the building would be suitable for the storage of supplies."

"Yes, we should be willing to lease the place on favorable terms. The town will support one good playhouse like the Bijou. Our lease of the Liberty is for 18 years, or practically a lifetime, and while we would not sublease it for anything like the remainder of the period, we might let it go for a few years. We have a piece of land behind the theater, and would be satisfied in making fair rentals out of the property."

"If leased for an army storehouse, the seats and fixtures would be taken out and stored so that they could be replaced at any time. With its fixtures the building is valued at \$50,000. It was erected two years ago by a Chinese hui, the members of which did not care about having their names known. Lung Chun was the head man of the syndicate. Goo Tai Chong, who got into trouble in the First National Bank, had an interest in it."

Officers were elected at the annual meeting of the Hilo Burns Club last Saturday evening as follows: D. B. Macdonald, president; David Forbes, vice-president; John Fraser, secretary; Edward Todd, treasurer; and Robert Forbes, sergeant-at-arms.

## UTILITIES ALL CONSOLIDATED

CAST. 21

Newly Created Commission Holds Meeting Entire Members Sent

The first meeting of the public utilities commission, all members present was held last night at the fifth floor Stangenwald building yesterday. It is the first session of N. S. Williams, who was at during his European trip, liable to attend. Only preliminary business was handled, the first action being set for the next day at 2 o'clock on the afternoon of 21, when the case of the W. Water Company will be taken.

This firm, together with all the other water companies islands, has declined to pay levied by the commission which created the latter body, the refusal based on the fact that they are not public utility not under the commission's purview. That of the Waiwala Wipany is to be taken as a test which the commission's attitude toward the concerns of water will be governed.

When the commission met yesterday the discovery was made that the Honolulu Gas had paid its fee, the check had not been cashed. The commission's clerk, on Chairman's desk since October 6, had for the first time since the first semi-annual meeting of fees from public service companies ended September 30, remittance from this company's thought the firm proposed a fight against the fee. Of the company corrected the error at once with the statement failure to make the payment was due to an error in the was not intentional. Until no check apparently had been coming, however.

The commission, Henry O'Sullivan to serve as secretary and Miss Inez as clerk. The former has his present position as territorial secretary until the new territorial reliever Mott-Smith and sworn assistant. Miss Inez's duties of her new post commission's headquarters.

The commission had the forms for accidently railroad, drawn by Chas. Smith, and approved the furniture for the offices.

## J. A. MAGOON TO RETIRE FROM AMUSEMENT CO.

Would Turn Interests Over to His Son and Joe Cohen—Tired of Losing

J. A. Magoon, principal stockholder and directing head of the Consolidated Amusement Company, is contemplating retiring from the theatrical field, according to a well founded rumor that has been about the street for several days and was virtually confirmed this morning by one of the interested parties. A deal is reported to have been consummated where Magoon turns over his entire interest in the amusement company to his son, J. Henry (Lana) and Joel C. Cohen, they to operate the theaters controlled by the company on a partnership basis.

The Consolidated Amusement Company represents the remnants of the old Honolulu Amusement Company and has been a steady loser for Magoon almost since its inception, according to a statement made this morning. It is estimated that the stockholders in the Honolulu Amusement Company have lost between \$60,000 and \$75,000 on the investment.

It is the purpose of the new owners, when the deal is consummated, to operate the Bijou and Empire theaters, negotiations being reported to be under way at the present time with the war department for the leasing of Ye Liberty theater as a warehouse. This deal, while as yet incomplete, will, should it go through, relieve the partners of the responsibility for this house for a long term of years.

J. A. Magoon, commenting on the proposed change of ownership of the Consolidated Amusement Company, said today: "It has been a losing proposition to me in more ways than one. I have lost financially on the venture and I have been compelled to neglect my law practice to handle the amusement affairs. I do know the law business, but very little about amusements, and I desire to know less. It is possible that, with an entire change of management, the corporation may be made to pay. I trust it will. In any event my legal business is much more important to me than the theaters and I will be glad to know that the deal has been closed."

Cohen stated that he did not care to talk on the proposition until it had been settled finally, admitting, however, that it was under consideration.

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